

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Gerald Baier and Rosella Reimnitz exchanged their wedding vows on February 5, 1956, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Dimock, South Dakota, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, Gerald and Rosella gave life and love to nine children, Geraldine, Eldon, Nolan, Leon, Lila, Lori, June, Donald and Patricia, who in turn presented them with 16 grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Gerald and Rosella spent their life farming the land and were the stewards of the Baier family farm in Douglas County, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Gerald and Rosella enjoy the company of their children and grandchildren, and have a special relationship with their Lord, Jesus Christ; and,

Whereas, The newly-wed couple of 50 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, Gerald and Rosella will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on February 5, 2006, and it is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognize and commemorate the memorable milestones in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 5, 2006, as

GERALD AND ROSELLA BAIER DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fourth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.



M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Ch. Nelson

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State